Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 29 Sep 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 30 Sep 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 29 Sep 2021 at 02:28 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for sunny spells with showers easing through the day Wednesday and becoming increasingly unsettled later, but low for details of cloud, winds and timing of the various bands of rain.

Headline for Wednesday 29 Sep 2021: Occasional showers largely dying out with sunny spells, chilly on Munro's.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 29 Sep 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	20%	10%	<05%	<05%

Forecast for Wednesday 29 Sep 2021

Weather: Occasional showers, increasingly wintry above Munro level, mainly in the west, become fewer and lighter through the day with some good spells of sunshine. Cloud increases in west later this evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 60% in far west, otherwise close to 80%

Visibility: Occasional or periods of cloud above 600-750m expected in the far west, cloud more occasional above 750m in east. Otherwise visibility very good or excellent with, mainly in the west, only brief reductions due to showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	19/24 W	18/23 W	16/23 W	17/24 W	14/19 W	15/20 S	26/34 S
900	19/23 W	17/22 W	16/23 W	16/23 W	13/19 W	14/20 S	25/33 S
600	11/16 W	12/17 W	13/20 W	12/19 W	8/15 W	9/14 S	16/25 S
300	3/18 W	5/18 W	6/19 W	6/19 W	4/15 W	2/13 S	4/22 S
Glen	3/10 W	7/13 W	9/17 W	9/18 W	4/10 SW	3/10 S	9/22 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	1/-5	1/-4	3/-2	3/-3	2/-2	2/-4	2/-5
900	2/-4	2/-3	4/-1	4/-1	3/-1	2/-2	2/-4
600	4/1	5/1	6/2	6/3	5/3	4/1	4/0
300	6/5	8/6	10/8	9/8	7/6	6/5	6/5
Glen	8/8	10/9	12/10	12/10	10/9	9/8	9/7
Freezing Level*	1100m	1100m	1200m	1200m	1200m	1100m	1300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Valley temperatures in east near plus 4 or 5 Celsius at dawn. Sub-zero feels like temperatures above Munro level.

Forecast for Thursday 30 Sep 2021

Weather: Cloud and occasionally heavy rain, preceded briefly by sleet or wet snow on highest summits, spreading east overnight. The occasionally heavy rain clears east soon after dawn with sunny spells and showers following, the showers merging to give some longer spells of rain in west through the afternoon and evening.

Maximum wind: Southerly winds increase to 25-35mph, with gusts around 60mph over ridges and summits in west, through the early hours gradually ease, and turn more southwesterly, 15-20mph from mid-morning.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Little chance at first, and later in west, otherwise around 60%

Visibility: Periods or persistent cloud above about 450-600m, with patches below, at first and again later in the west, otherwise cloud more occasional above about 600-750m. Generally visibility, very good falling to several kilometres in rain and showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Around plus 6 Celsius soon after midnight rising to plus 13 Celsius by day
At 800m: Plus 5 Celsius, with significant wind-chill effect especially at first
Freezing level: Around 1200m soon rising above summits.

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